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In re <b>National Patent</b> Application of:	)
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For: <b>SECURE METHOD AND SYSTEM</b>	)
<b>FOR BIOMETRIC VERIFICATION</b>	)

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Please consider the remarks and amendments in connection with the above-identified application.